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Widening of Roads under PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to widen the roads under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) keeping in view the burgeoning problem of traffic congestion;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(c) the number of roads proposed to be covered under the said scheme, State/UTwise including Madhya Pradesh?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) to (b): Rural Roads' is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations in the core network. According to the Rural Roads Manual, IRC SP: 20 and based on recommendations of Expert committee, the road way width prescribed for Plain and Rolling area is 7.50 m for Through Roads and 6.00 m for Link roads. The carriageway width for Through road is 3.75 m and Link road is 3.00 m. In respect of Mountainous and steep area, the Roadway width is 6.00 m for both Through road and Link road and carriageway width is 3.75 m for Through roads and 3.00 m for Link roads. PMGSY-II, launched in 2013 for consolidation of existing rural road network and it aims to cover upgradation (including widening) of selected rural roads. Compared to PMGSY-I, in PMGSY-II States have been permitted to upgrade roads with carriageway width upto 5.50 m and Roadway width of 9 m based on the traffic intensity and growth potential.

(c): The total target length under PMGSY-II is 50,000 Km. The State-wise target is annexed.

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